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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Applicants: S. Smeekens et al. Attorney Docket No.: ARNO114646
Application No.: 09/423,575 ✓ Group Art Unit: 1637
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Title: PLANT GENE CONSTRUCTS AND THEIR USE

REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF APPEAL / NOTICE OF FILING OF REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

Seattle, Washington 98101

December 15, 2003

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Applicants hereby notify the Board of Appeals that a request for continued examination has been filed in this application.

Withdraw of this appeal is made and it is requested that no decision be rendered in this appeal.

Respectfully submitted,

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